

## Queries AND Answers

**Virginia Dare.**  
Please tell me when and where Virginia Dare was born.  
August 18, 1857, Roanoke Island.

**Collection by Magistrate.**  
Has a magistrate in an incorporated town the right to collect debts or commission either with or without license?  
O. E. O.

**It would seem so.** He must pay the usual license tax, which would vary in different places.

**Opening an Alley.**  
Please tell me how to proceed to open an alley behind my residence.  
E. E.

**Ask any Councilman from the ward in which you live to attend to the matter for you.** He will also explain the steps necessary to be taken.

**Old Coin.**  
Can you tell me the value of United States half-dollar of 1867?  
J. M. E.

**No catalogue in our knowledge gives any premium on it.**

**Superfluous Hair.**  
Will you give me the address of any physician in Richmond who uses electric needle for removal of hair?  
READER.

**Write President of Board of Health, Richmond, Va.**

**President Monroe.**  
Please tell me when Monroe was born in Hollywood and whether he left any children?  
E. E.

**Removed from New York in 1858.** Two daughters.

**Davis and Lincoln.**  
Will you let me know whether Jefferson Davis and Abraham Lincoln were related?  
M. F. VAN P.

**There is no proof that they were.**

**Old Coin.**  
Has a United States dime of 1853 any premium value?  
T. M.

**Not in any catalogue we know.**

**Old Coin.**  
Can you tell me where I may sell United States quarter of 1853 with arrowheads on each side of date?  
E. N. S.

**A number of times, we have called attention to this coin as one that has no premium value.**

**Mail Orders.**  
Will you tell me whether license is required in Richmond to conduct a "mail order" business?  
A. E.

**Not unless you keep a stock of goods on hand. In case you do so, apply to the assessor at the City Hall.**

**Bible Quotation.**  
Can you inform me whether the Bible contains the following: "The time will come when we will not know summer from winter," etc?  
A. R.

**We do not find it in the Concordance and assume it is not in the Bible.**

**Civil Service.**  
What is the civil service? Where may one be examined? What salary does it pay?  
A. N. W.

**The civil service act, approved by Arthur, in 1883, is intended to improve the public service by preventing re-**

into this matter and gives names of chemical compounds which outstrip in length all other words. Dichloro-droquinodisulphonio and Trioxymethylene-thraquinone are examples of these linguistic gems. Disestablishmentarianism, Anthropomorphologically, Deanthropomorphization, Transubstantiationism, Disproportionableness are as long as any words we can find.

**Responsibility for Rent.**  
Can one be held liable for rent of house which he never occupied, and can furniture that never went into the house be seized for rent?  
SUB.

**One must pay rent which he has contracted to pay.** Articles never on the premises would not be subject to levy as articles in the house would be, but might be made liable for any judgment recovered on the contract.

**Location of Capital.**  
In how many places has the capital of the United States been since the Declaration of Independence?  
DISSEMINATOR.

**During the "Continental" period the various Congresses met wherever they could. From the beginning of the Federal government, 1789, the seat of government has been located in New York, Philadelphia and Washington.**

**Apple Butter.**  
Will you publish for me a good receipt for making apple butter?  
T. H.

**We have none but what our friend may find in the books, and we should fear to guarantee any of them. We shall be pleased to publish receipt which is known to be good if some reliable reader will send it.**

**Irish Potatoes.**  
Kindly tell me what is the record crop of Irish potatoes in this country.  
W. F. R.

**It is possible the Commissioner of Agriculture, Richmond, Va., can give you the information. Vast numbers of bulletins touching such matters are issued by the States and by the United States.**

**Various.**  
Can I obtain a "handbook" of Virginia, and what will it cost? Will you name for me the ten largest towns in Virginia?  
J. M. E.

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**Several Sorts.**  
Please answer the following questions: What countries form North America? What is "delta," and in what State is the delta of the Mississippi? Is a square a rectangle? In what zone is New England?  
P. K.

**Mexico, United States, Dominion of Canada. A delta is the three-cornered area bounded by two forks of the mouth of a river, and the body of water into which the river flows. It is named from a letter of the Greek alphabet, having similar form. The Mississippi delta land belongs to Louisiana. Any plane figure which has all its angles right angles is a rectangle. The square is a rectangle. North temperate.**

**American History.**  
Please answer the following questions: What amount of faith are the stories of Norse discovery of America entitled to? What was the first printed form of the Declaration of Independence? Name for me some considerable battles which the Continental Army won under Washington.  
MISS M.

**There is a good deal of difference in the amount of legendary and corroborative evidence of the several claims, and we should little like the task of proving any of them. During the night of July 4th John Dunlap, in Philadelphia, printed it as a "broad-side." This is the first edition, though Mary Goddard, in Baltimore, got out an edition late on the afternoon of the 5th, and Gill, Powers & Willis, of Boston, printed a very large number about the same time. He never won a battle.**

**"How Can I Leave Thee?"**  
With thanks to the sender, we print below the old song asked for last week.

**How can I leave thee?  
How can I break apart  
Thou that have bound my heart  
Constant to thee?  
Earth has no happiness,  
Joy has no power to bless,  
Life would be grief to me,  
Severed from thee.**

**How can I leave thee?  
How can I leave thee?  
Sunlight forever had set,  
Darling, on me;  
Memory would shadows cast,  
Prowling from the shadows past,  
Life would be grief to me,  
Severed from thee.**

**Yet I must leave thee,  
Thy lips the words have said,  
And though my peace is dead,  
Longing for thee, and for thee,  
Still through the coming years,  
Though be my path through tears,  
Life would be grief to me,  
Severed from thee.**

**"I Am Dying, Egypt, Dying."**  
With thanks to the sender, we print below the old song asked for last week.

**I am dying, Egypt, dying,  
Ebbes the crimson lifeless fast,  
And the dark, Plutonian shadows  
Gather on the evening blast;  
Let thine arms, O Queen, clutch me,  
Hush thy sob and bow thine ear;  
Listen to the great heart-secrets  
Thou and thou alone must hear.**

**Though my scarred and veteran legions  
Bear their eagles high no more,  
And my wrecked and scattered galleys  
Strew dark Aulion's fatal shore;  
Though no glittering guards surround me,  
Prompt to do their master's will,  
I must perish like a Roman,  
Die the great Triumvir still.**

**Let not Caesar's servile minions  
Mock the Lion thus laid low;  
'Twas no foeman's arm that felled him,  
'Twas his own that dealt the blow;  
His who, plucked from the bosom,  
Turned aside from glory's ray;  
His who, drunk with thy carresses,  
Madly threw a world away.**

**Should the base plebeian rabble  
Dare assail my name at Rome,  
Where my noble spouse, Octavia,  
Weeps within her widowed home—  
Seek her; say the gods bear witness—  
Alas, alas, circling wings—  
That her blood with mine commingled,  
Yet shall mount the throne of kings.**

**As for thee, star-eyed Egyptian,  
Glorious sorceress of the Nile,  
Light the path of Stygian horrors  
With the splendour of thy smile,  
Give to Caesar, O Queen, thy love,  
Let his brow the laurel twine;  
I can scorn the Senate's triumph,  
Triumphing in love like thine.**

**I am dying, Egypt, dying,  
Hark! the insulting foeman's cry;  
They mock me! Quick! my falchion!  
Ah! no more amid the battle  
Shall my heart exulting swell—  
Ipsa et datus, Roma, forewell!**

# Mid-Summer Clearance REACHES CLIMAX TO-MORROW

OPPORTUNITIES to-day will score another triumph in Clearance Selling—they must appeal irresistibly to money savers and almost impel buyings. The forward movement in stock clearance has again reduced prices on many lines, the higher grades being drawn upon for the filling in of gaps in the lower grades which has thinned out during the tremendous rush of the past two weeks. Do you grasp the remarkable opportunity? But prices again reduced and the bargain import of the event almost doubly intensified represent in connection with the elegance of goods involved the brilliant inducements offered to-day to the prudent money saver of the community.

<b>\$9.50</b> August Reduction Price of Suits, were \$12.50, \$13.50, \$15.00.	<b>\$12.50</b> August Reduction Price of Suits, were \$16.50, \$18.00, \$20.00.	<b>\$14.50</b> August Reduction Price of Suits, were \$22.50 and \$25.00.	<b>\$16.50</b> August Reduction Price of Suits, were \$27.50 and \$30.00.
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All the \$3.00 and \$3.50 Suits, -	\$1.49

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25 dozen of the Celebrated Mother's Friend Shirt-Waist, assorted sizes, 50c and 75c qualities; reduced to... **29c**

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## THE BEAUTIES OF HAWAIIAN ISLAND

A Richmond Boy Who Is There  
Temporarily Writes a  
Cheerful Letter.

### SAW A REAL ACTIVE VOLCANO

The following letter from a former High School student to his parents may prove interesting to a number of the writer's fellow-students and teachers, and is published in full as written. It is dated Kamuela, Hawaii, July 15, and is addressed to his mother. The letter reads as follows:

I am stopping over here for a few days in a beautiful place high on the slopes of the largest of the Hawaiian Islands. It is a high grassy plain covered with fat cattle and green grass. Where there are villages there are enormous mango and monkey trees spreading to a hundred feet or more in diameter, under which natives sleep and cook the few meals that they need. I am in a little house belonging to the engineers of the big irrigation ditch which carries the snows from the mountains on this high plateau down to the canals to water them. They have a little office here, and I am using their typewriter. My companion, a gentleman who accompanied me in my tour of the islands, and who is the representative of the Honolulu Iron Works, our contract agents, has stretched himself out after our hosts had provided

dinner and gone to sleep, so I am dropping a line to tell you about a few points of the islands. The whole of the island is practically covered with cane and flowers. There are the most lovely flowers everywhere, the fencibles generally being formed of enormous hibiscus bushes, which grow to the size of trees here, and bear thousands of red, red, double and single blooms. They are always in profuse bloom here. There are lots of kinds of trees which are loaded down with gorgeous purple, brilliant red, pale yellow and lilac colored flowers. Around this little workman's home, with no attention, as there are no women here, are growing countless bushes, loaded with fushias, enormous red geraniums, which grow wild, roses, violets, and the little red leading up from the main road is lined with enormous geraniums and red and pink hibiscus planted by no one and cared for by nobody.

This house is no exception, as all of the islands form one vast and beautiful flower garden. Perhaps that is why they call this country the Paradise of the Pacific. The climate here is simply perfect. Never colder than 70 and never hotter than 85. Life is one long dream to the people here, as nature places fat cattle, splendid fish and every sort of delicious fruit right in their hands without effort.

### An Active Volcano.

I had the rare good fortune to see the crater of the volcano in an active condition. This is something which has not happened since 1855. It was a great hole about a mile wide and about 500 feet deep, with slides that ran straight down, and in the bottom was a dark slate-colored surface, which suddenly would break all at once and expose a vast lake of molten lava. Then the surface would cool again and form a slate color, when the pumping up from the interior of the earth would again break the cooled crust, and there would be several minutes of spouting, roaring, splashing, melting, glowing lava, flying hundreds of feet into the air and fountains of flame would play and roar forth their tons of fiery liquid, and then there would be a few moments of quiet again as the surface re-cooled. This lake of red hot molten liquid was about 500 feet wide and one of the most awesome sights I ever saw. By night the sight was many times more beautiful, and it was certainly a solemn experience beneath a starry South Pacific night to gaze down into that dizzy depth into the lake of surging fire, which shone like the sun at night, and to see that our old ball of dirt is chock full of the same stuff, and we never know where it will break out next.

### The Japs Are There.

There are many thousands of Japanese here, and they are a very queer people. The women work at all kinds of tasks, washing clothes, sewing sugar bags, hoeing and all the time there is a little Jap swung on their backs, most often asleep in a nap of what his mother may be doing. When they go calling, practically every Japanese woman has one child on her back and about three trotting along on the ground. They don't believe in race suicide. The ambition of all of them, big and little, is to some day lick the United States. In the public school the little Japanese are constantly drilling, going through the manual in a way which shows that they have seen their elders doing it in their own homes, and then they try to do up their white school-fellows, who, being greatly in the minority as to numbers, usually get the worst of it. All this shows which way the wind blows, while our mooncake

## POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Elliot Norton.

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### Song of Hesperus.

(From "Cynthia's Revels.")

By BEN JONSON.

Queen and huntress, chaste and fair,  
Now the sun is laid to sleep,  
Seated in thy silver chair,  
State in wonted manner keep  
Hesperus entrains thy light,  
Goddess excellently bright!

Earth, let not thy envious shade  
Dare itself to interpose;  
Cynthia's shining orb was made  
Heaven to clear, when day did close.  
Bless us then with wondrous sight,  
Goddess excellently bright!

Lay thy bow of pearl aspart,  
And thy crystal-shining quiver;  
Give unto the flying hart  
Space to breathe how short soever;  
Thou that mak'st a day of night,  
Goddess excellently bright!

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stead of fortifying Hawaii to make it our base of supplies in the first, or naval, line of defense. These islands are to the United States what Malta was to the French, and when Malta fell into the hands of the English, Napoleon said he would rather see the English in the suburbs of Paris than occupying that position.

**Lengthy Natives.**  
The natives of these islands are splendid six and seven foot chaps, a dark coffee color, though of an entirely different race from the negroes, good-natured and built like athletes. They are rather good-looking, and are a branch of the Aryan race, the same as the dark Hindoos and Persians. They are not at all like the negroes. They are intensely patriotic in favor of the United States.

Fruits here have a taste I have never noted before in the tropics. Pineapples grow sweet and juicy to a weight of twelve pounds. The aguacate and papaya (two tropical fruits that I have tried before in South America and Mexico) grow here with a size and flavor that they do not elsewhere.

I will soon take ship for Honolulu, on the Island of Oahu (I think this must be the Land of Wawoo, referred to in Dean Swift's works), which is our base of operations, and there will be waiting for me letters to advise whether I go to Japan, China, Manila and India, or return to little old New York, and all sights are cheap compared with that first glimpse of the skyscrapers after a long voyage even to so beautiful a land as that.

But with the curiosity inherited from my ancestors which form Congress sit by its out first goes mother, she began to read.

**HER SACRED CAT.**  
It Was All Right Until She Begun to Eat.  
At a little while ago a German lady was caught pleased at having secured for a considerable sum the mummy of a sacred cat. She was delighted with her bargain, and the Arab dealer was quite satisfied with the sum he received.

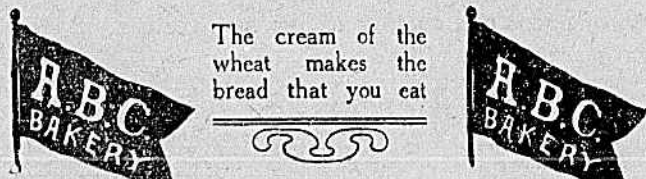
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